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1. THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION HAS NO BAN ON THE USE OF STAPLED BOXES FOR PACKAGING FROZEN SHRIMP, NOR DOES IT CONTEMPLATE SUCH A BAN.

2. THE BOX MANUFACTURER AND THE SHRIMP PACKAGER SHOULD, OF COURSE, SEE THAT IF THE STAPLES COME IN CONTACT WITH THE SHRIMP, THEY BE MADE OF MATERIAL SUITABLE FOR CONTACT WITH FOOD, AND THAT THERE ARE NO LOOSE STAPLES WHICH MIGHT FIND THEIR WAY INTO THE SHRIMP. WE WOULD PRESUME THAT THOSE CONCERNED ARE CURRENTLY TAKING SUCH PRECAUTIONS. END KISSINGER

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